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SUBJECT: U.S.-U.S.S.R. HOUSING AGREEMENT: VISIT OF PROJECT
SPECIALISTS, WORKING GROUP 10.01

1. REQUEST EMBASSY PASS ASAP FOLLOWING LETTER FROM PEYTON,
U.S. CHAIRMAN OF WORKING GROUP 10.01, TO TERENTIEV OF
GOSSTROY FOR HIS TRANSMITTAL TO SOVIET CHAIRMAN ALEXANDER
BOROVOY. ORIGINAL BEING AIR POUCHED TO EMBASSY.

2. "DEAR MR. BOROVOY: THIS LETTER WILL CONFIRM MY UNDER-
STANDING OF CERTAIN MATTERS WHICH WE DISCUSSED IN YOUR
OFFICE ON FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 1977, CONCERNING THE VISIT
OF SOVIET SPECIALISTS TO THE UNITED STATES IN NOVEMBER.

"WE ESTABLISHED THAT NOVEMBER WOULD BE A MORE SATISFACTORY
PERIOD TO VISIT THAN OCTOBER, AS I HAD PROPOSED IN MY
RECENT LETTER TO YOU. IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT TWO
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TEAMS OF SPECIALISTS, ONE HEADED BY MR. ANTONOV (TEAM 1),
AND ONE HEADED BY MR. KHROMETS (TEAM 2), WOULD VISIT
THE UNITED STATES IN NOVEMBER. AT OUR MEETING, I MADE AN
INFORMAL LIST OF THOSE ACCOMPANYING MESSRS. KHROMETS AND
ANTONOV, AND WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE A FINAL LISTING OF THE
SPECIALISTS, AS SOON AS IT IS POSSIBLE FOR YOU TO SEND ONE.

"INASMUCH AS THERE IS A NATIONAL HOLIDAY IN THE UNITED STATES ON NOVEMBER 24TH, I AM PROPOSING A MINOR CHANGE FROM THE PERIOD WHICH WE DISCUSSED AT OUR MEETING. I BELIEVE THAT THE CHANGE WILL PERMIT A MORE PRODUCTIVE USE OF THE TIME AVAILABLE TO THE SPECIALISTS. ACCORDINGLY, I PROPOSE THE FOLLOWING GENERAL SCHEDULE, WHICH WILL BE DEVELOPED IN MORE DETAIL AS WE PROCEED.

SATURDAY - 11/26: ARRIVE IN NEW YORK

SUNDAY - 11/27: FREE TIME IN NEW YORK

MONDAY - 11/28 THROUGH WEDNESDAY - 11/30: MR. ANTONOV (TEAM 1) WOULD VISIT SCHOOLS AND HOSPITALS IN WASHINGTON, D.C. AREA. MR. KHROMETTS (TEAM 2) WOULD VISIT INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES IN NEW YORK AREA.

THURSDAY - 12/1: TEAM 1 AND 2 WOULD CONTINUE TOURS IN NEW YORK AREA.

FRIDAY - 12/2: BOTH GROUPS VISIT OLYMPIC SPORTS FACILITY IN LAKE PLACID, NEW YORK

SATURDAY - 12/3: SUMMARY ACTIVITIES IN NEW YORK

SUNDAY - 12/4: DEPART NEW YORK TO MOSCOW
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"AS DISCUSSED AT OUR MEETING, WE WILL SEEK TO FURTHER INCORPORATE IN THE VISIT THOSE ITEMS OF INTEREST SPECIFICALLY EXPRESSED BY MESSRS. KHROMETTS AND ANTONOV.

"I ALSO WANTED YOU TO KNOW HOW MUCH I APPRECIATED THE OUTSTANDING RECEPTION WHICH WAS ACCORDED THE U.S. MEMBERS OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE DURING OUR VISIT. I BELIEVE THAT THE VISIT WAS A COMPLETE SUCCESS. ON A PERSONAL NOTE, IT WAS A PLEASURE FOR ME TO MEET WITH YOU AGAIN AND TO PLAN THE FURTHER DETAILS OF OUR FUTURE RELATIONSHIP. THANK YOU FOR YOUR MANY COURTESIES. WITH WARMEST REGARDS. SINCERELY, TOM L. PEYTON, JR., DEPUTY COMMISSIONER, PUBLIC BUILDINGS SERVICE, GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION." VANCE

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